

Application No. 10/614,745


REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5-8, and 27-29 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 4, 9-26, and 30-38 are cancelled, claims 1-3, 5-8, 27 and 29 are amended.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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